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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Personnel Security Division
Chief, IRD

SUBJECT : Security and Medical Support in the
Recruitment of Professional Personnel

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1. The attached proposal has gone forward to the Office of Personnel. If they feel the proposal has worth, meetings will probably be held to further discuss the proposal.

2. I have noted the comments of IRD about the limitations on the number of cases a polygraph operator can conduct in one day. I was aware that there would be these limitations, however, I felt that this could be adjusted in accordance with the degree of success of the recruitment program. I do not envision that the number of professional applicants processed under this proposal will be extremely large but, on the other hand, more in keeping with our capabilities. You will probably participate in the discussions on this proposal and we should try to be as flexible as possible in endeavoring to work out a procedure. It is my feeling that the Medics will have the greatest difficulty in accepting this proposal because of their shortage of psychiatrists and the difficulties, as they see it, of arranging suitable medical facilities. The one serious unknown to the Medics is the psychiatric condition of the applicant and it may be that a psychiatrist assigned to the team and using the written psychiatric test method and on direct observation following a polygraph interview, could achieve a reasonable degree of certainty as to the psychiatric acceptability of a given applicant.

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